

Denning and Whiting but Denning withdrew and Captain A. F. Smith took his place and continued to operate until the job was completed as Smith & Whiting, they were from Pa. During the time Denning & <sup>James</sup> Whiting operated which was about 1888 to 93 they worked 15 teams and from 50 to 75 men besides the teams they hired, at this time they were operating on Laurel Run and to the divide on Beaver Creek and cutting principally White Pine, which was cut skidded and put in a slide worked to the Greenbrier River and drove to Ronceverte to the St. Lawrence mill.

About 1895 Smith & Whiting were operating on Laurel Run they employed about 110 men had 15 teams of their own besides the ones they hired among them were the following, Nick McCoy, John Cleek, James Jordan, William Wade, Jesse Curry they worked day and night most of the time which was very hard and dangerous work, they received \$4.00 a day. They had a big camp and John A. Sheets was the cook. The St. Lawrence brand was the figure 7 inside a square which had to be stamped on each log before it was put in the river ready for the drive.

Smith & Whiting were operating on Beaver Creek 1890 and Gus Christer subcontracted from them to cut skid and drive down Beaver Creek to Knapps Creek and from there into the Greenbrier River. George McComb took a contract from Christer in this same territory.

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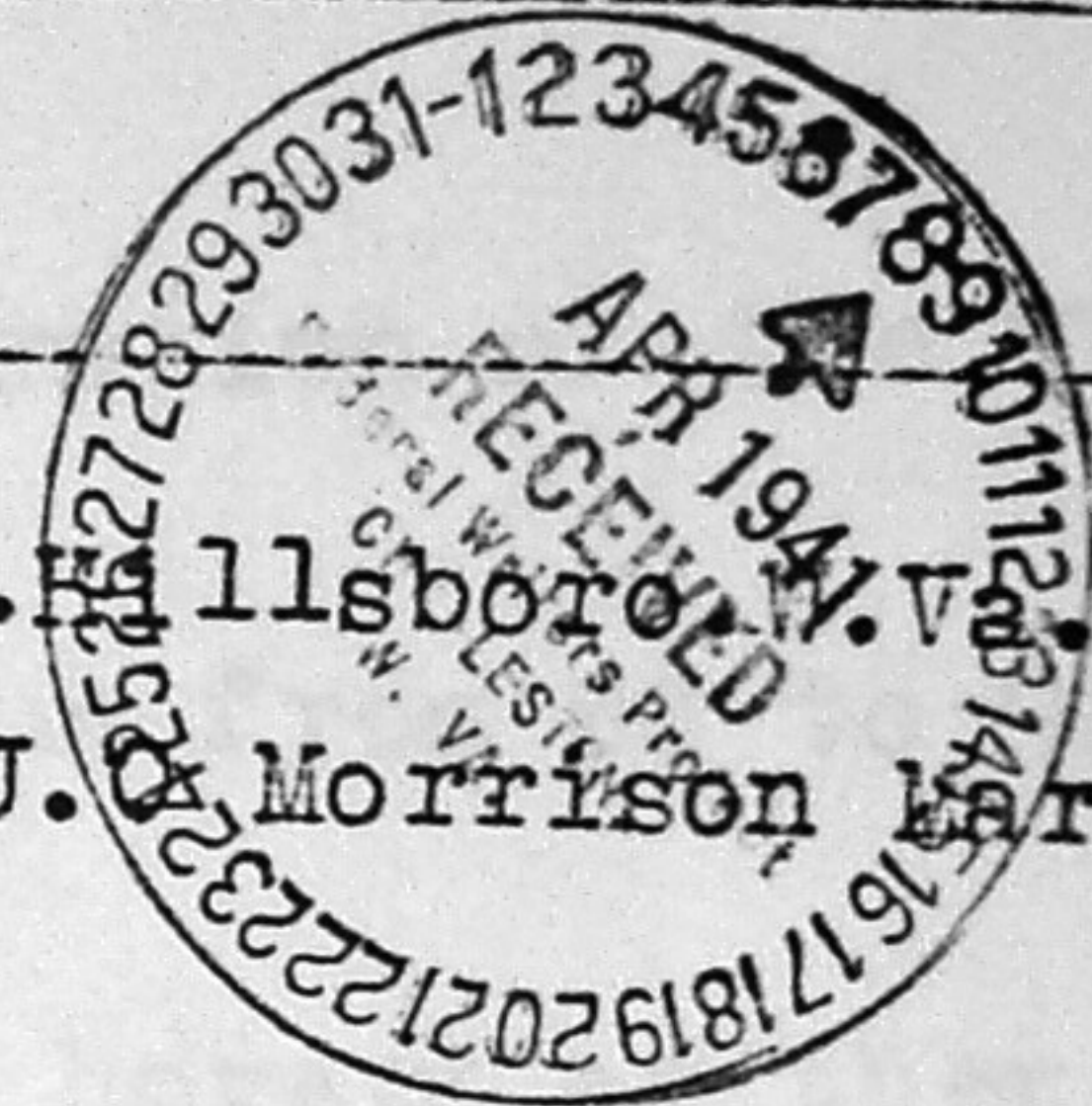
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About 1884 John Driscoll of Pa. took a contract from the St. Lawrence Boom And Mfg. Co. and operated on Cummings Creek, these logs were floated to Knapps Creek by a splash dam that was constructed at the Esco Alderman farm on Cummings Creek, and from Knapps Creek they were drove into the Greenbrier and to Ronceverte.

Dan O'Connell had a contract during the operation of the White Pine in Pocahontas County his operations were on Oldham Run from 88 to 92, he had a camp at each end of the slide and stables for the horses as they used from 30 to 40 teams part were his own the rest were hired from farmers in the Levels District namely John Cleek, Poe Weiford, Tom Burgess, Jesse Curry, and Ellis McCarty besides the ones he hired from Anthonys Creek. Charlie Ramsey was head cook. They used a slide on this operation, which cut out several million feet.

His next job was next to Middle Mountain near Rimel, his camp was on Douthards Creek.

The Whiting Brothers Fdd & Milt operated on Beaver Creek in 1913, 14 had a camp below Howard Underwoods, one near Pyles Mt. on Hokem Run and another on Jakes Run. They used 4 teams and employed about 25 men. The Whiting Bros. were from Pa.

In 1907 & 08 Judge Huntley and son George of Pa. took a contract from The St. Lawrence Boom And Mfg. Co. and operating at this time as the Sherw-

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ed Co., this operation was mainly on Douthards Creek here they had a camp  
for the men and the horses as they worked from 150 to 200 men had 8 teams of  
their own besides the ones they hired namely B.C Hayes Frank and Garfield,  
Ben Campbell George and Everett Alderman, and Andy Lightner. They built a spl-  
ash dam near the head of the creek to make a tide to carry the logs to Knapp-  
s Creek to be drove on to Ronceverte.

Otis Warwick was head cook with Clarence Jordan as his assistant,  
Jake Carey was foreman on this job, in one drive they had over 13 million feet.

The slide had to be watered so the logs would run and among the men  
that watered slide were the following John & Harry Jordan & Robert Hall of Hi-  
llsboro,

About 1885 Smith & Whiting were operating on Cummings Creek near whe-  
re John Lee now lives, at this operation they used 6 & 7 teams of horses and  
employed from 60 to 70 men, and had a log engine that they used to haul the logs  
to Knapps Creek, this engine was fired on wood most of the time as about the  
only coal at that time was on Briery Knob, which was a long ways off but coal  
from here was used by Smith & Whiting during their operation in the White Pi-  
ne operation on Lauzel and Oldham Runs.

About 1893 John Peters took a contract from this company on what th-  
ey called at that time Klondike Hollow as it layed to the North and was very  
cold, this was on the right hand prong of Island Lick Run, he employed many out-  
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